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DATE: July 17, 2009
SUBJECT: Toddler Death
CASE #: 09318592
INCIDENT DATE: July 16, 2009
INCIDENT TIME: 1005 hours
INCIDENT LOCATION: 7717 Congdon Blvd.
NATURE OF INCIDENT: Medical Emergency-Child not breathing
BY: Brad Wick, Public Information Officer

Description: On Thursday, July 16, 2009, at 10:05 a.m., the Duluth Police along with Gold Cross Ambulance and the Duluth Fire Department responded to the North Shore Cottages at 7717 Congdon Boulevard on the report that a 15 month old male was not breathing after becoming entangled in the pull cords from a window shade. The child had been in his playpen/crib that was near the window shade.

CPR was started immediately by the mother and the child was transported to St. Mary's Hospital by Gold Cross Ambulance. Attempts by medical staff to keep the child alive were unsuccessful.

The child had been placed in the playpen/crib while the family was packing to check out of the cottages. The mother went to check on the child and found the boy entangled in the cords and 911 was called. Duluth Police Investigators at the scene call it a tragic accident.